



Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook October 19 - 25, 2017

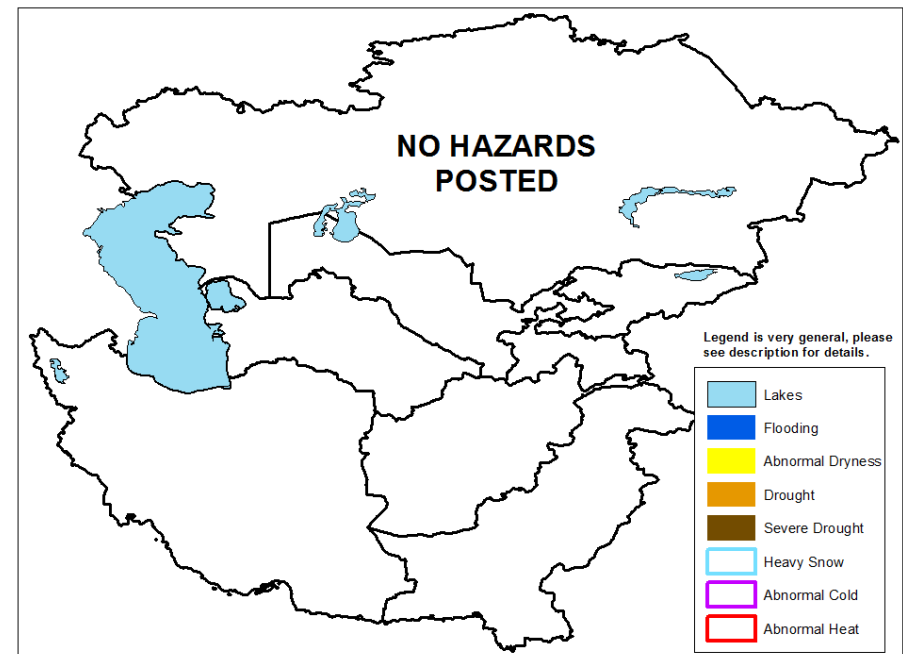
Temperatures:

Below-normal temperatures (1 to 4 degrees C) persisted across northeast Kazakhstan, while near to above-normal temperatures prevailed across Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan during the second week of October. Minimum temperatures fell to -11 degrees C over northeast Kazakhstan. Maximum temperatures were in the lower 30s (degrees C) across lower elevations of Afghanistan and Turkmenistan. A cold front is expected to bring more seasonal temperatures to Afghanistan during the next week.

Precipitation

Following a wet week to end September, mostly dry weather prevailed throughout the region during the first week of October. According to the CPC unified gauge analysis, small precipitation deficits (25 mm or less) exist across parts of eastern Afghanistan and northern Kazakhstan. The ongoing above-normal temperatures could exacerbate the dryness across eastern Afghanistan.

During the next week, widespread precipitation (2 to 50 mm, or more) is forecast across most of Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan. Little or no precipitation is expected for Afghanistan where concerns for short-term dryness continue.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.